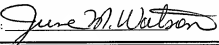


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Dear Madam:

Pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, and in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 28, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.